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DUMFRIES ACADEMY.

BY order of the Truſtees for the DUMFRIES ACADEMY this public notice is gi en, that the Academy is opened by maſters from a Univerſity in Great-Britain, amply recommended, who propoſe to teach the Latin, Greek and French Languages, Arithmetic, Land Surveying, Book-Keeping, every other branch of the Mathematics, and Natural Philoſophy.

The price of tuition is Five Guineas, and Twenty Shillings for fire-wood, per annum.

Students may board conveniently on reaſonable terms.

We think it unneceſſary to trouble the public with a detail of the many and great advantages ariſing to the community at large as well as to individuals, from a ſeminary of uſeful learning in this growing Commonwealth; but aſſure them, that proper attention will be paid to the morals and behaviour of thoſe who ſtudy in this Academy; and every poſſible endeavour uſed to facilitate their progreſs in acquiring a competent knowledge of any or all of the abovementioned branches.

W. FALCONER, JOHN KEMP, } Maſters.

Nov. 29, 1784.

N. B. There will be taught privately for One Half Johannes, a late invented ſyſtem of the Short Hand, incomparably ſhorter and eaſier than any yet publiſhed, conſiſting of only four characters. The whole will be taught at ſix leſſons, and the ſtudent enabled to keep up with any public ſpeaker.

Joſeph Greenway,

At his Store, formerly occupied by Mr. William Hunter, ſen. has for ſale, by Wholeſale and Retail, a choice Aſſortment of DRY GOODS, ſuitable to the preſent and approaching Seaſon, which he will ſell on the loweſt Advance for Caſh or Produce, viz.

DUFFILS, baizes, Welch plains, hunters, frizes, ſuperfine broadcloths, coarſe ditto, oſnaburgs, dowlas, Iriſh linens, calicoes, cotton handkerchiefs, Barcelona ditto, beaver and felt hats, ladies' calamanco ſhoes, everlaſting ditto, childrens' Morocco ditto, ſhoes and boots, Liverpool and queen's ware, nails, faſhionable looking-glaſſes, a few good fowling-pieces, Weſt-India rum, &c. &c. &c.

Alexandria, Nov. 30, 1784.

William Wilſon,

HAS juſt imported a great variety of elegant muſlins, ſprigged and embroidered with ſilk; fine muſlin handkerchiefs, India ſatins of different colours, painted ſilks, mother-of-pearl fans, and ſilk handkerchiefs, which will be ſold on very reaſonable Terms.

Alexandria, Nov. 16, 1784.

Joſeph Marie Perrin,

Has for ſale at his Store, on the Corner of Fairfax and Queen Streets, a general Aſſortment of DRY GOODS, which he will ſell on the moſt reaſonable Terms, for Caſh or Produce only, amongſt which are the following Articles, viz.

BLACK modes of all prices and qualities, florentines of excellent qualities and all colours, ſatins of all prices, qualities and colours, ſilk ſtockings, gauzes, gloves, chintzes, calicoes, linens, woollens, hats, &c.

Alexandria, Nov. 16, 1784.

John Murray, *and* Company,

HAVE received in addition to their former aſſortment, a few packages of woollen GOODS, ſuitable to the ſeaſon, which they will ſell on very reaſonable terms, for Caſh, Tobacco or Hemp, at their ſtore on Fairfax-ſtreet; alſo, molaſſes and New-England rum in hogſheads, and dipped and mould tallow candles by the box.

Alexandria, December 2, 1784.

Juſt imported, and landed at Dumfries and Alexandria, from New-York,

ABOUT Forty Tons of PLASTER-OF-PARIS.—As few perſons in this State are acquainted with its nature and qualities, it may be neceſſary to inform ſuch, that nothing is equal to it for plaſtering or covering houſes, as alſo for ſtucco work, but of late more particularly valuable for manure, two buſhels being found ſufficient for an acre of land, and it ſerves to enrich the meaneſt ſoil: The effects of it in ſome parts of Pennſylvania and Maryland laſt year, are ſufficient proofs of its value.—Apply to Mr. WILLIAM WILSON, in Alexandria, or to the Subſcriber, in Dumfries.

ALEXANDER CAMPBELL.

December 2, 1784.

☞ *Freight will be given for about 9000 buſhels of wheat, flour or tobacco in proportion, in the Brigantine* CHARLOTTE, *Capt. IRVINE, for New-York, at low rates.—Apply immediately as above.*

To be Sold,

On Monday, the 27th of December next, at Weſtwood, in Prince-William County,

THE remainder of the perſonal eſtate of the late Rev. Mr. James Scott, conſiſting of 13 or 14 SLAVES, a quantity of corn and long forage, ſeveral articles of houſehold furniture, ſuch as chairs, tables, bedſteads, and a large and neat pier glaſs.

And on Thurſday, the 30th of the ſame month, will be ſold, at the plantation where Herman Utterback lives, in Fauquier County, a quantity of corn and long forage. Twelve Months credit will be allowed for all ſums above Forty Shillings, the purchaſers giving bond with approved ſecurity, to bear intereſt from the date if not punctually paid.

T. BLACKBURN, Adminiſtrator.

Nov. 24, 1784.

Berkeley County, Nov. 15, 1784.

ON Saturday laſt was committed to this gaol, a Negro Fellow, who calls himſelf JOHN JACKSON, is ſlim made, about 5 feet 5 or 6 inches high, and about 24 years of age: He had on a white cotton coat and breeches, old ſhoes and ſtockings. Alſo, a Mulatto Woman, about the ſame height as the man, and ſlim made; She had on a ſtriped jacket with metal buttons, a white hat with a feather in it, and calls herſelf NELLY EVANS. They pretend to be man and wife, and ſay they came from York-Town; that they had a paſs when they came from home, ſigned by Col. Harvey, living at the mouth of Yeocomico, but left it at Shenandoah. Their maſter or maſters, if they have any, are deſired to come, pay charges, and take them away.

ROBERT COCKBURN, Gaoler.

To be Sold, for Caſh or Country Produce.

A FEW Hogſheads of good ANTIGUA and BARBADOES RUM.——Inquire of M. MADDEN, at his Store near Col. Gilpin's Wharf, Alexandria, Nov. 11, 1784.

To be Sold at Public Vendue, for Ready-Money, on Monday the 20th of December next,

TWO LOTS of GROUND, ſituated on Fairfax-ſtreet, about 44 feet front each by 123 in depth; on one of which is a good dwelling-houſe with four rooms on a floor, in three of which are fireplaces, with a good garret and an excellent cellar.—On the other is a ſtore with a counting room, a ſhed built back, a good cellar, and a ſtable for three horſes.—Poſſeſſion will be given the firſt of March next or ſooner, by WILLIAM HUNTER, jun.

Alexandria, October 26, 1784.

For Bourdeaux,

in France,

THE Brigantine FANNY, WILLIAM B. SMITH, Maſter, now lying at this port, and will return early in the ſpring, will take in Tobacco, at *L.*7, ſterling, per ton.——As the Subſcriber propoſes going out in the veſſel, and fixing his reſidence at Bourdeaux, he aſſures his friends, he will take the greateſt care of their intereſt, as well in the ſales of ſuch tobacco they may pleaſe to conſign him, as in the purchaſe of any goods they may think proper to order.—Apply to Mr. JOHN FITZGERALD, or to

THOMAS RIDOUT.

Alexandria, December, 1, 1784.

☞ *She will ſail by the 15th inſtant.*

FOR LIVERPOOL,

THE Brigantine NANCY, Capt. GEORGE FORSHAW, a ſtout new veſſel, and will be clear to ſail by the 10th of December, having three-fourths of her cargo ready to go on board.—For freight or paſſage apply to Capt. FORSHAW, Capt. JOHN WOODS, or JESSE TAYLOR.

Alexandria, Nov. 16, 1784.

FOR LIVERPOOL,

THE Ship STANLEY, Capt. JOHN WOODS, a ſtout copper-bottomed ſhip, will be clear to ſail about the 25th of December next.—For freight or paſſage apply to the Captain on board, at the County-Wharf, or to JESSE TAYLOR.

Alexandria, Nov. 16, 1784.

☞ What remains of ſaid Ship's cargo, from Liverpool, will be ſold by ſaid JESSE TAYLOR, on very cheap terms, for Caſh or Produce.

For Sale,

A PLANTATION, within 8 miles of Wincheſter, containing 400 acres.—The lands are rich, level, and but very little broken with limeſtone, about 60 acres of which are cleared, and under good fences, has a large new barn, and a pretty good overſeer's houſe.—Alſo 300 acres of unimproved Land, lying about two miles from the above place.—Likewiſe three very well improved Lots in the borough of Wincheſter, in a very advantagtous part of the town for any kind of buſineſs.—Caſh, Tobacco, or Military Certificates, will be received in payment, and the terms made known by applying to the Subſcriber.

JOSEPH HOLMES.

Wincheſter, Nov. 25, 1784.

☞ *Alſo for ſale, a large and neat aſſortment of MERCHANDIZE, which he will ſell for very little more than firſt coſt, for Caſh or Tobacco. J. H.*

WHEREAS I have frequently ſuſtained conſiderable damage by people hunting upon my ſhore—I do hereby forewarn all perſons whatever, from ſhooting or hunting on my land, as I am determined to put the law in force againſt every one who diſregards this notice.

Nov. 25, 1784. WILLIAM BALEY.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 5.

THE Spaniſh nation, whoſe intercourſe with the Porte has hitherto been very diſtant, ſeems to be now forming more cloſe connexions with our nation: The Count de Bladagua, an Italian by birth, whom the Court of Madrid has lately appointed Conſul-General in Albania and the Morea, has formed a project of re-eſtabliſhing a direct poſt between Conſtantinople, Naples, and Spain, which plan has been approved both by the King of Spain and the Grand Seignor, and the road they are to go is marked out. The Prince of Naſſau, who arrived at Conſtantinople ſome time ſince, has been on board the Spaniſh fleet now in our road, where he was received as a Grandee of Spain, and an officer in the ſervice of the Spaniſh Monarch. Before this Nobleman ſet out for the Crimea he formed a plan to tranſport the productions of Poland into Turkey and France, by means of ſmall barks which ſhould come down the Nieſter to Akerman, where that river empties itſelf into the Black Sea, and from the port of Akerman thoſe productions ſhould be loaded in French veſſels: The Prince of Naſſau had ſeveral conferences with Government on this ſubject, and as the Porte has granted the free navigation of the Black Sea to ſome nations, the French Ambaſſador has requeſted the ſame indulgence for the ſubjects of France.

HAGUE, Sept. 15.

The States of Holland have granted the Eaſt-India Company a million of florins, to enable them to ſend to Batavia the four ſhips lying in the Texel.

It is beyond a doubt that the Company's affairs are in a deplorable ſtate; but whether its annihilation would operate to the diſadvantage of the public ſeems to be exceedingly problematical. Many are of opinion that if the trade to the Eaſt was to be made general, and carried on under the immediate inſpection of Government, under proper reſtrictions and regulations, greater advantages would ariſe to the Republic than are to be expected under the preſent ſyſtem.

LONDON, Sept. 24.

The celebrated Hymenial Dr. Graham has again experienced the fickleneſs of fortune. A few months back he was in a priſon without a ſhilling, and now he lives in ſplendor, and rolling in his chariot at Mancheſter.

NOT SO NEITHER, OR THINGS AS THEY ARE.

Well, Sir, I think the American war, as it opened the eyes of mankind to a ſenſe of liberty, was a very happy event.

Not ſo happy, neither, for owing to the miſconduct of the Britiſh nation, this country was brought to the brink of ruin.

That was bad, indeed.

Not ſo bad, neither, for the nation was rouſed, and that adminiſtration ſent out.

That was very lucky for the country.

Not ſo lucky, neither, for in their room came a ſet of men who could not agree among themſelves, and divided the intereſt of the whig party.

That was a great misfortune.

Not ſo great, neither, for by this means the Shelburne and Pitt intereſt took the lead, and concluded a peace at a time when we had no reſources to carry on a war farther.

They deſerve well of their country for it.

Not ſo well, neither, for the peace is in many reſpects a diſagreeable one to the high feelings of Engliſhmen.

That is a great pity, indeed.

Not ſo great a pity, neither, for as we were far from victorious, any peace, or truce, was better than an ineffectual war.

Certainly, peace is a moſt deſirable thing.

Not ſo deſirable, neither, for the two noted enemies, Lord North and Mr. Fox, made a peace between themſelves.

That was truly philanthropic.

Not ſo philanthopic, neither, for the coalition was compoſed of a maſs ſo heterogeneous, ſo diſcordant, that it plainly appeared to have in view ſomething beſides the good of the country.

That was truly baſe.

Not ſo baſe, neither, for there were a few honeſt men among them who were deceived into the meaſure.

That is to be regretted much.

Not ſo much, neither, for they were the means of diſcovering the ſecret motives and ſentiments of the party to the world.

So far was very lucky.

Not quite ſo lucky, neither, for they ſeized upon the government of the kingdom, and began their career with the famous India bill.

That was unfortunate for the nation.

Not ſo unfortunate neither, for it was the means of their being turned out of place.

That was a happy event.

Not quite ſo happy, neither, for the means of turning them out, although juſtifiable from the peculiar circumſtances, we hope never to ſee eſtabliſhed into a precedent. Then Mr. Pitt and the preſent Adminiſtration came into place.

That was fortunate indeed.

Not ſo fortunate, neither, for the oppoſition continue to do every thing they can by themſelves and their agents, to diſtreſs the country, and create confuſion.

The following is an authentic copy of a letter from the Right Hon. William Pitt, to John Campbell White, Eſq; Chairman of the Belfaſt meeting:

"SIR,

"I received, ſome time ſince, a letter from you, as Chairman of a meeting of the inhabitants of Belfaſt, accompanying a petition, which they were deſirous that I ſhould preſent to his Majeſty.

"I am extremely ſorry that the variety of buſineſs, in which I was at that time engaged, has prevented my returning you a more immediate anſwer. As my preſenting the petition might be ſuppoſed to imply that I approved of its contents, I am under the neceſſity of declining it, and of explaining my reaſon for doing ſo. The prayer of the petition ſeems to me to proceed upon the ſuppoſition of the preſent conſtitution being actually diſſolved, and calls upon the King to exerciſe a diſcretionary power of new modelling the frame of Parliament, which I think totally inconſiſtent with the ſecurity of public liberty.

"I have undoubtedly been, and ſtill continue a zealous friend to a reform of Parliament; but I muſt beg leave to ſay, that I have been ſo on grounds very different from thoſe adopted in this petition. What is there propoſed, I conſider as tending to produce ſtill greater evils, than any which the friends of reform are deſirous to remedy at preſent. I have great concern in differing ſo widely on this ſubject, from a body of men who profeſſes to be guided by motives of loyalty, and of reverence of the conſtitution. But guided by the ſame motives, and ſincerely anxious for the proſperity and freedom of every part of the Britiſh empire, I have thought it my duty to ſtate to you my ſentiments fairly and explicitly; and I muſt beg the favor of you, Sir, to communicate them to the gentlemen by whoſe deſire you wrote.

"I am, Sir, &c.

"W. PITT."

BOSTON, Nov. 11.

Agreeably to an act of the General Court of this Commonwealth, in their preſent ſeſſions, for aſcertaining the rates at which coined ſilver and gold, and Engliſh half-pence and farthings, ſhall paſs within the ſame, the following were eſtabliſhed, viz. A French or Engliſh crown, at 6/8, and all diviſions of ſuch crowns in proportion.—A Spaniſh milled dollar at 6s. and all diviſions of ſuch dollars in proportion.—An Engliſh guinea of the weight of five penny-weight and ſix grains, at 28s. and all diviſions of ſuch guineas in equal proportion.—A French guinea of the weight of five penny weight and ſix grains, at 27/4.—A coin of Portugal, commonly called a johannes, of the weight of eighteen penny-weight, at £. 4 16s. and all diviſions of ſuch johannes in like proportion.—A moidore, of the weight of ſix penny-weight, eighteen grains, at 36s. and all diviſions of moidores in like proportion.—A four piſtole piece, called a doubloon, of the weight of ſixteen penny-weight, twelve grains, at £. 4 8s. and all diviſions of the ſame coin in like proportion.—Three Engliſh farthings at a penny, and Engliſh half-pence in proportion.

All pieces of coined gold, before enumerated and which ſhall weigh more or leſs than is by this act eſtabliſhed, as their current weight, will be received in payment for the taxes hereafter to be received into the treaſury of this Commonwealth; and in all debts for a ſum proportioned to the value of gold, as hereby ſtated, viz. at £. 5 6s. 8d. per ounce. All former acts reſpecting coins are repealed.

NEW-YORK, November 18.

Tueſday morning the body of a man was diſcovered in a barrel, upon the key near the Fly-market: He had been ſeen the preceding evening lying near the barrel, in a ſtate of inſenſible intoxication; and is ſuppoſed upon his recovery to have got into the veſſel as an alylum againſt the rigor of the night.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 24.

Extract of a letter from Paris, to a gentleman in New-York, received by the laſt French packet.

"We hear that the noble, the generous, the philanthropic ſcheme of the *God-like Doctor Fothergill*, is not buried with him, but is likely to be revived and put into excution; ſeveral worthy and illuſtrious perſons in Europe, are forming an aſſociation in order to eſtabliſh a ſtock ſufficient to carry this admirable ſcheme into execution. With a ſubſcription of 300,000 l. they imagine they will be able to ſend proper Miſſionaries to the different parts of Africa, not to teach the Chriſtian ſyſtem to the natives, but to inſtruct them in the art of cultivating the ſugar cane, which improvement would, at one and the ſame time, enrich thoſe countries, and convince the miſerable rulers, that it is more advantageous and profitable for them to employ their ſubjects in this uſeful huſbandry, than to ſell them to the whites, and enable the poor in Europe to eat ſago.

"The heart of every good man will glow (I am ſure) at this intelligence, and form the moſt fervent wiſhes for the accompliſhment of this ſublime, this conſolatory enterprize. It was M. Vic. d'Azier (Secretary to the Royal Society of Medicine at Paris) who laſt year pronounced to a crowded and illuſtrious audience, the funeral eulogium of that wonderful man, Dr. *Thomas Fothergill*, who was, at one and the ſame time, an ornament to the Britiſh nation, to the human race, and to the *ſociety of friends, of which he was a member*, as well as a moſt eminent phyſician; every body knows his epitaph to the man, who during his life, gave three thouſand guineas to the poor.

"We underſtand from you with great pleaſure, that the ſyſtem of the *Marquis de Beccaria*, is likely to be adopted by ſeveral of your legiſlative aſſemblies:——To your conſideration, to the exalted honor of ſo many excellent heads may human nature owe the adoption of ſo uſeful a branch of legiſlation: May your bright example croſs the Atlantic to illuminate ſome kingdoms in Europe, and ſerve to expel the remaining ſhades of our Gothic darkneſs. We are very glad that the States of Maſſachuſetts and New-York are likely to be the firſt to adopt it, and change the puniſhment of death for public works; I hope that in leſs than two or three years, your criminal laws will be corrected and amended by able *Beccariſts*; if I was with you I ſhould moſt certainly enroll myſelf in that ſect, and glory in the appellation."

The voyage of diſcovery which is at preſent preparing for in France by order of the King, will be one of the completeſt for the purpoſe of ſcience (the great end of it) that ever was undertaken. Theſe plans for the improvement of the ſciences are like to be very much extended; for the King of Spain has not only appointed a ſimilar one, but has alſo ordered that a philoſophical ſurvey ſhould be taken of all his American dominions.

BALTIMORE, Decembar 3.

It is with pleaſure we are able to inform the public, that the Univerſity of Williamſburg, in Virginia, have conferred on that ingenious mathematician Andrew Ellicott, Eſq; of this State, the honorary degree of Maſter of Arts, as a teſtimony of their eſteem for this induſtrious and valuable man.

We have juſt received advice, that on the 16th of laſt month, the parallel of latitude, begun by Meſſieurs Maſon and Dixon, was completed, and the ſouth-weſt corner of Penſylvania fixed, by the Rev. Robert Andrews, and Andrew Ellicott, Eſq; A. M. Commiſſioners, in behalf of the State of Virginia; and the Rev. John Ewing, D. D. David Rittenhouſe, Eſq; A. M. and Capt. Thomas Hutchins, Commiſſioners, in behalf of the State of Pennſylvania. The advanced ſeaſon of the year prevented their completing the meridian to the River Ohio; they therefore adjourned to the 16th day of May next.

The ſhip Pennſylvania Packet, Captain All, from London and Lymington, in England, bound to Philadelphia, having ſprung a leak on the paſſage, the Captain and crew were obliged to leave her, and about the beginning of November got on board the Peggy, Captain Thomas, from Rhode-Iſland, bound to Hiſpaniola, who carried them to Bermudas, where they arrived the 13th of November.

ALEXANDRIA, Dec. 9.

His Excellency William Paca, Eſq; is unanimouſly re-elected Governor of the State of Maryland for the Year enſuing.

The General Aſſembly of the State of Connecticut, at their late Seſſions, have paſſed an Act for granting the Continental Impoſt, whenever twelve of the United States ſhall have adopted it.

On Tueſday laſt the Honorable Henry Laurens, Eſq; paſſed through this Town on his Way to Charleſton, South-Carolina.

We hear that the Honorable RICHARD HENRY LEE, Eſq; is choſen Preſident of Congreſs.

NAVAL-OFFICE, ALEXANDRIA.

Inward Entries. *Brig Charlotte, T. Cuming, from Grenada; Brig Maria, J. Robertſon, Barbadoes; Sloop Phebe, J. Cartwright, Boſton; Schooner Dove, H. Shelton, Philadelphia; Ship Hetr Adams, L'Orient.*

Cleared Outwards. *Snow Ann, J. Rudd, for Whitehaven; Ship Washington, E. Stickney, Baltimore.*

PRICES CURRENT, ALEXANDRIA.

TOBACCO 28s. per Ct.
Fine Flour, 30s. per Barrel.
Wheat, 5/6 per Bushel.
Jamaica Spirits, 4/6 per Gallon.
Windward Rum, 3s. per Ditto.
Continental Rum, 2/2, to 2/4 per Ditto.
Molasses, 1/6 per Ditto.
Muscovado Sugar, 38s. to 47s. per Ct.
Salt, 6s. per Bushel, by Retail.
Exchange, 36.

☞ FRIDAY the 24th inst. being the last monthly meeting of Lodge, No. 39, before the anniversary of St. John, the brethren are required to attend punctually, as there is business of much importance to lay before them.

By Order of the Master,
W. HERBERT, *Secretary.*

Alexandria, Dec. 9, 1784.

PUBLIC VENDUE.

On Saturday next, the 11th inst. will be Sold at the Vendue-Office, opposite the Court-House,

A variety of Dry Goods,

too tedious to enumerate.——Also, a few hogsheads of rum, muscovado sugar in hogsheads and barrels, fresh limes in barrels, molasses in hogsheads, olives in jars, loaf sugar, &c. &c.

At private sale, now in my possession, two likely Virginia-born slaves, one is a young fellow, about 20 years of age, and used to plantation work; the other a woman, about 25 years of age, and used to house-work, for which I will take cash, wheat or tobacco.—Also, a second-hand chariot, and harness complete for four horses; a quantity of bar-iron, windward island, Jamaica and continental rum, a quantity of rigging and sailcloth, Irish linens, and a small box of medicines, containing a quantity of Peruvian bark.

C. COPPER, Vendue-Master.

Alexandria, Dec. 9, 1784.

Any person wanting to hire

a smart active Negro FELLOW, who has been used to wait on Gentlemen, may hear of one by applying to

DENNIS RAMSAY.

Alexandria, Dec. 8, 1784.

The sale of ROBERT and

JOSEPH CONWAY'S LOTS, agreeable to Advertisement in this paper, will begin to-morrow, at 3 o'clock, on the premises.—Six months credit will be allowed the purchasers on two-thirds of the purchase-money.

Alexandria, Dec. 8, 1784.

M'Crea *and* Measе,

Have just arrived an Assortment of GOODS, which they propose selling on the most reasonable Terms; amongst them are

CLoths, shalloons, calamancoes, durants, camblets, poplins, German serges, dorsetteens, kings' and queens' cords, dimities, drawboys, satinets, denims, checks, striped hollands, bedbunts, messinets, silverets, taffetas, nonsopretties, tapes, glass ware, window-glass, clear and spotted lawns, striped and figured ditto, ditto handkerchiefs, fine soufflee and needle-worked aprons, threads, Dutch lace and edging, silk ferrets, Barcelona handkerchiefs, black and white lace, blond ditto, ladies' fashionable trimmed cloaks, hats and bonnets, Cyprus and other gauzes, knee and other garters, mens' and womens' gloves, silk mits, ribbons, counterpanes, Irish linens, osnaburgs, quality bindings, ladies' stays, writing-paper, inkpowder, pins, needles, milled and common flannels, mens', womens' and boys' thread, cotton, and silk hose, spelling-books, pocket-books, hair broom-heads, brushes, sieves, table knives and forks, clasp and pen knives, rasors, shaping and other scissors, bar-lead, shot, coffee-mills, sleeve-buttons, plated spurs and buckles, spectacles, blank account books, quills, bridles, curry-combs, horsewhips, money-scales with weights, twist, sewing silk, shirt buttons, cottons, calicoes, coatings, &c. &c.

It is useless to say any thing respecting the terms on which these goods will be sold—whoever applies at the Post-Office, will find them agreeable.

Alexandria, Dec. 8, 1784.

To be Let,

On Ground-Rent for ever,

SEVERAL LOTS of GROUND adjoining the Town of Alexandria——The Lots will be shewn, and the Terms made known, by Mr. JOHN GRETTER,

Alexandria, Dec. 6, 1784.

Just arrived in Patuxent, by

the ship Liberty, from London, and expected round here in a few days, a large assortment of European GOODS, a great proportion of which is suitable to the present season, and will be sold by Wholesale only, on reasonable terms, by

JOHN FITZGERALD.

Alexandria, Dec. 6, 1784.

Z. Vowles and Company,

Have just landed, and now opening at Mr. Daniel Payne's red Store-House, near the Falmouth or Upper Warehouses, a well chosen and pretty general Assortment of European, East and West India GOODS, which they are determined to sell on the lowest Terms for Cash, Interest Warrants, and every Kind of Country Produce; amongst which are

SUperfine and coarse broadcloths of various colours, coatings, flannels, baizes, duffils, blankets, rugs, Kendal and Negro cottons, blue and white and white plains, swanskins, shag, figured and plain velvets and velverets, corduroys, satins, beavers, satinets, calamancoes, durants, a variety of stuffs, mens' and womens' worsted hose, childrens' ditto, yarn ditto, mens' silk and cotton ditto, womens' cotton ditto, mens' and youths' coarse and fine shoes, womens' leather and calamanco ditto, boots, plated spurs, saddles and bridles, whips, hats well assorted, Barcelona, bandano, figured linen, paste-work, and a variety of gauze handkerchiefs, an elegant assortment of gauze and lawn aprons, a great variety of gauzes, lawns and cambricks, womens' cloaks and cardinals, stays, silk and durant quilts, changeable, blue, white, and a variety of brocaded lustrings, blue and black persians, white ditto, white tiffany, modes, lace and edgings, chintzes, calicoes, printed linens and cottons, a great variety of Marseilles and cotton counterpanes, bed bunts and tickings, diaper tablecloths and towelling, mens' gloves, womens' ditto and mits, Irish linens well assorted, sheetings, dowlas, best German and British osnaburgs, rolls, bagging, bar-lead, powder and shot, gun flints, pewter assorted, temple spectacles set in silver, a variety of common ditto, frying-pans, castings well assorted, bar-iron, Bristol and German steel, cutlery, a valuable assortment of locks and hinges, a great variety of carpenters' and joiners' tools, shoemakers' ditto, wrought andirons, chamber bellows, shovels and tongs, warming-pans, nails and sprigs, a good assortment of 8 by 10 window-glass, various kinds of paints, brushes of every kind, calf-skins, boot legs with vamps and Ben soles, copperas, alum, pepper, Gloucester cheese, Liverpool ale, Madera and Port wine, West-India rum, molasses, brown sugar, double and single refined loaf ditto, congo, souchong, and hyson teas, coffee and coffee-mills, with most of such articles as should be in a well assorted store; and they doubt not of being amply supplied, from time to time with articles, suited to this market.

Dec. 4, 1784.

Found,

By Cab, a Slave belonging to Mr. Richard Arell, A BOLT of OSNABURGS, marked 147 222 thus 222.—The Owner may have it again by applying to SAMUEL ARELL.

Dec. 3, 1784.

Ten Pounds Reward,

RAN away from the Subscriber last spring two Slaves, viz. DICK (who some times calls himself Richard Mervile) a stout lusty Mulatto Fellow, of about 22 years of age, has large features and eyes, a roguish down look, is artful and plausible, and well acquainted in most parts of Virginia and Maryland, having formerly waited upon me.—CLEM, a well-set black Negro Lad, of about 19 years of age, has a remarkable large scar of a burn, which covers the whole of one of his knees.—It is impossible to describe their dress, as I am told they have stolen a variety of clothes since their elopement.—They were carried to the Eastern Shore by a bay-craft, where Dick was employed stowing of vessels, and Clem sawing of shingle buts.—I suspect they are still on the Eastern Shore, or on board some bay-craft.—The above Reward will be given to any person who will deliver them to me, in Fairfax County, on Potomack River, or secure them in any gaol, and give me notice of it so that I get them again, or Five pounds for either of them.

GEORGE MASON, jun.

October 25, 1784.

Wants a Place,

A Young Man, a native of Ireland, and was bred in Dublin.—He would willingly engage with a Merchant as book-keeper, or as tutor in a private family; and flatters himself qualified for either.—A line directed to W. A. at Mr. Suter's tavern, George-Town, or Mr. Johnson's, Bladensburg, shall be duly attended to.

Dec. 8, 1784.

William Hunter, *jun.*

HAS for sale, a few Puncheons of excellent JAMAICA SPIRITS, for Cash or Country Produce.

Alexandria, Dec. 7, 1784.

Charles Mortimer, jun.

HAVING been bred to the practice of Physic, Surgery, and Midwifery, both in America and Europe, begs leave to acquaint the inhabitants of this town and county, that he means to offer his service in those respective branches.

Alexandria, Dec. 8, 1784.

Andrew Ellave,

Opposite to Alexandria,

BEGS leave to inform the Public, that he has opened a convenient House of Entertainment for Ladies and Gentlemen, and furnished it with the best of liquors.—He has a good stable, and excellent hay.—Those who may please to favor him with their custom, may depend on good usage, as no pains will be spared to accommodate them in the most agreeable manner.

Dec. 9, 1784.

THE Partnership of DUNBAR and PRIMM having dissolved the 31st Day of last month, this is to request all persons indebted to them to make immediate payment to the Subscribers, who receives their debts, and will pay all just demands against them.

☞ They have for sale at the store lately occupied by them, a small assortment of wet and dry GOODS, suitable for the season, which they will dispose of on reasonable terms, for Cash, Tobacco, Wheat, or Indian-Corn.

JOHN DUNBAR and CO.

Aquia, Nov. 25, 1784.

Stop the Thief!

STOLEN from John Littlejohn's mill, on Goose-Creek, on the night of the 24th inst. a dark bay HORSE, seven years old, with a star in his forehead, has a feather on his neck under his mane, a switch tail, and one of his hind hoofs is half white; it is easy to observe that his right hind leg is thicker than his left, occasioned by a wound, the mark of which is very perceivable on the inside of the leg, and he paces, trots and gallops well.—Whoever takes up and secures said horse, so that I get him, shall receive Ten Dollars, and ten more on conviction of the thief. JOSEPH SMITH.

Loudon County, Nov. 30, 1784.

WILLIAM LOWRY, AND COMPANY,

Have opened a Wholesale Store at Mr. Lownes's in the lower Part of Fairfax-street, and have lately received from Europe a general Assortment of seasonable GOODS, which will be sold on reasonable Terms for Cash, short Credit, Tobacco, or black Snakeroot, viz.

SUperfine, refine, yard wide, and other cloths, blanketings, duffils, jacket cloths, flannels, coatings, Irish linens of all prices, 9-8 sheetings, calamancoes, russels, durants, tammies, camblets, moreens, satinets, lastings, crapes, Venetians, blue naps, printed calicoes and cottons, ditto cotton and lawn handkerchiefs, a variety of soufflee and other gauzes, soufflee handkerchiefs and aprons, ribbons of all kinds, point lace, silk handkerchiefs, black satin florentine, counterpanes, drawboys, dimities, Marseilles quilting, muslin cords, German ditto, silk and thread hose, cotton and worsted ditto, a variety of saddlery, mens' castor and felt hats, youths' ditto, modes, satins and persians, a variety of buckles, buttons, spurs, candlesticks, knives and other kinds of hardware; augers, chisels, adzes, hammers, plane irons, files, rasps, and other ironmongery; buckrams, buttons, twist, sewing silks, tapes, needles, pins, sewing threads, &c. &c.

☞ *They have also for sale, several bales of sailcloth, very low, either by the piece or package; and they hourly expect a very general assortment of low-priced six-quarter cloths, duffils, coatings, rattens, frizes, rose, striped, and kersey blanketing.*

N. B. They will give the highest prices, either in Cash or Goods, for good Tobacco.

Alexandria, November 10, 1784.

ALMANACKS,

For the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-Five, may be had at the Printing-Office, Alexandaia, Wholesale and Retail.

TO BE SOLD at the PRINTING-OFFICE, A Variety of Writing-Paper, Dutch Quills, Paper Hangings, Blank Books, gilt and common Letter Paper, Sealing-Wax, Wafers, Inkpowder, Pounce, Ink-Stands, Black Lead Pencils, Common Prayer Books, from Two to Ten Shillings; Boston's Fourfold State, Russel's Sermons, Psalters, &c. &c. &c.

POETRY.

DRINKING.

* I DRANK, I lik'd it not: 'Twas rage, 'twas noiſe;
An airy ſcene of tranſitory joys.
In vain I truſted that the flowing bowl
Would baniſh ſorrow, and enlarge the ſoul.
To the late revel, and diſtracted feaſt,
Wild dreams ſucceeded, and diſorder'd reſt;
And as at dawn of morn fair *Reaſon*'s light
Broke through the fumes and phantoms of the night,
What had been ſaid, I aſk'd my ſoul—what done;
How flow'd our mirth, and whence the ſource begun?
Perhaps the jeſt that charm'd the ſprightly crowd,
And made the jovial table laugh ſo loud,
To ſome falſe notion ow'd its poor pretence,
To an ambiguous word's perverted ſenſe,
To a wild ſonnet, or a wanton air,
Offence and torture to the ſober ear.
Perhaps, alas! the pleaſing ſtream was brought
From this man's error, from another's fault;
From topics which good nature would forget,
And prudence mention with the laſt regret.

And yet unnumber'd ills, that lie unſeen,
In the pernicious draught; the word obſcene,
Or harſh, which once elanc'd muſt ever fly
Irrevocable; the too prompt reply,
Seed of ſevere diſtruſt, and fierce debate:
What we ſhould ſhun, and what we ought to hate.

Add too, *the blood impoveriſh'd*, and *the courſe*
Of health ſuppreſs'd, by wine's continual force.
Unhappy man! whom ſorrow thus and rage
To diff'rent ills alternately engage,
Who drinks, alas! but to *forget*; nor ſees
That *melancholy*, *ſloth*, *ſevere diſeaſe*,
Mem'ry confuſed, and *interrupted thought*,
Death's harbingers lie latent in the draught:
And in the flow'rs that wreath the ſparkling bowl,
Fell adders hiſs, and pois'nous ſerpents roll.

EPITAPH *for a* DRUNKARD.

AT length, my friends, the draught of life is o'er;
I've drank ſufficient—and can drink no more:
My night is come; I've ſpent a jovial day;
'Tis time to part; but oh!—*what is to pay?*"

James and *Dummer*,

Have for Sale at their Store on Fairfax-Street, a few Doors North of Mr. Samuel M. Brown's *Store, an Aſſortment of European Goods ſuitable to the Seaſon, viz.*

DUFFILS, bearſkins, coarſe and fine coatings, low-priced cordurcys and velvets, drapery, Colcheſter baize, ſhag, coarſe and fine broadcloths, coarſe yarn ſtockings, common and fine worſted ditto, Kilmarnock caps, coarſe yarn gloves, womens' worſted mits and gloves, laſtings, tammies, durants, calamancoes, camblets and cambleteens, taboreens, ſhalloons, Iriſh linens, dowlas, cotton and linen checks, mens' beaver and caſtor hats, felt ditto, youths' ditto, fur and ſcarlet cloak trimmings, a variety of ribbons and gauzes, pins, wool cards, frying-pans, knives and forks, carpenters' tools, ſteelyards, jack and pen knives, ſhears and ſciſſors, gimlets, faſhionable buttons, common ditto, plated ſhoe and knee buckles, mens' ſhoes, ſaddles and bridles, an aſſortment of pewter, &c.

Alſo, to be ſold on board the brig Polly, Cap. Bailey, lying at Capt. Harper's wharf, two fall-back chaiſes, one genteel mahogany deſk and book-caſe, ſeveral common deſks and tables, Weſt-India and New-England rum, ſugar and molaſſes, by the hogſhead, barrel or ſmaller quantity, beſt Rhode-Iſland cheeſe and cyder, and a ſmall quantity of Iriſh potatoes, all which will be ſold cheap for Caſh or Tobacco.

Alexandria, November 23, 1784.

THE Subſciber begs leave to inform the Public, that he has opened a TAVERN in the ſtone houſe in Leeſburg, formerly kept by Mr. Craven Peyton, and known by the name of the *Red Lion*, which ſign he ſtill continues, where he hopes to meet with encouragement, having laid in a ſufficient ſtock of the beſt liquors, and furniſhed the ſaid houſe with every thing neceſſary to render it a commodious, well regulated and pleaſing houſe of entertainment; and he begs leave to aſſure thoſe gentlemen who may honor him with their cuſtom, that every endeavour will be exerted to give general ſatisfaction, and every favour conferred will be gratefully acknowledged, by their devoted humble ſervant, HENRY M'CABE.

Leeſburg, Aug. 25, 1784.

Juſt arrived and to be Sold by

Jacob Kuhn,

A LARGE *aſſortment of* GOODS *ſuitable to the ſeaſon.—Alſo, a quantity of rum, ſugar, molaſſes, alum, Liverpool and Liſbon ſalt, &c. &c.*

☞ *Said Kuhn wants, as an apprentice, an active and diligent young man, who can be well recommended.*

Frederickſburg, Nov. 18, 1784.

TO BE SOLD,

A VERY valuable TRACT of LAND, lying on Aquia-Run, in Stafford County, Virginia, not more than one mile from Aquia Warehouſe, about ſix miles from Dumfries, and twelve miles from Frederickſburg, containing Six Thouſand Acres; it is well watered, abounding with timber, and is calculated for planting or farming.—On this land are ſeveral valuable mill-ſeats, one of which is particularly ſo.—The above will be ſold in lots of two or five hundred acres, as may beſt ſuit the purchaſers.—If ſold by the whole tract three years credit will be given for one half the purchaſe; if in ſmall lots, only one year's credit will be given for one half, the other being paid at the time of conveyance.—For further particulars inquire of the Subſcriber oppoſite to Lower-Marlborough, in Maryland, or to Colonel BAILEY WASHINGTON, near to and adjoining the premiſes, who will ſhew the land.

WILLIAM FITZHUGH.

October 13, 1784.

To be let from Year to Year, or for a Term of Years,

A LOT of LAND, lying at Boyd's-Hole, containing 30 acres, on which is a well-built two ſtory brick houſe, with a well-finiſhed ſtore-room, bale-room, dining-room, and counting-room, on the lower floor, and a bale-room on the ſecond floor, with three other convenient lodging rooms, with fireplaces to each; an excellent cellar and kitcken under the houſe, together with a large and commodious granary and garden.—I ſhall only obſerve that it is generally eſteemed to be one of the beſt ſituations in Virginia for a well-regulated retail ſtore, as it commands a very extenſive and rich neighbourhood, is alſo conveniently ſituated to ſundry tobacco ware-houſes, as well in Maryland as Virginia; and I venture to aſſert, that the Boyd's-Hole tobacco is equal in quality to any on the Virginia ſide of Potomack.—The aforeſaid premiſes would very well accommodate a ſmall family.—For terms, apply to WILLIAM LYLES.

Alexandria, Nov. 9, 1784.

Five Pounds Reward.

RAN *away from the Subſcriber laſt night, a very fair* Mulatto SLAVE, *called* HESS *(alias Hezekiah Scott) about* 22 *years of age, is well made, about* 5 *feet* 6 *inches high, has a very ſmooth face, a mole on his right cheek, very dark reddiſh or ſandy hair, which he wears ſometimes tied in a club and ſometimes queued, is a very good taylor by trade, and a good waiting man: He had on and took with him two blue ſuits, one edged with red and the other with white, linen trouſers which tied round his ancles, white ſtockings, ſhoes with large white metal buckles, and many other clothes unknown. Whoever will ſecure ſaid ſlave, ſo that I get him again, ſhall have the above reward, and reaſonable charges if brought home, paid by*

JOHN WARING.

Mount-Pleaſant, Nov. 23, 1784.

Ten Pounds Reward.

RAN *away from the Subſcriber, living at Oxen Hill, Prince-George's County, Maryland, oppoſite to Alexandria, on Saturday the* 6*th inſt. a very likely Virginia-born* Negro Man, *named* AARON; *he is about* 28 *years of age, very ſtrong made, about* 5 *feet,* 7 *inches high, of a pleaſing countenance, and his hair is rather long, which he generally wears combed up very high; he was the property of a Mr. Curtis of the Eaſtern ſhore of Virginia, and has a wife ſold near Snickers's Gap, whoſe maſter has ſince gone to Kentucky, and it is probable he will endeavour to get towards his old maſter, or to his wife: He took with him a ſmall bay Horſe, with a ſmall ſtar in his forehead.—He carried away with him a number of clothes, amongſt which was a ſuit of blue broadcloth which he ſtole a few days before he left me, from Col. Philips, who bought his wife.—Any perſon delivering him to me, with the horſe, ſhall have the above reward, or Eight Pounds for the fellow, and Forty Shillings for the horſe.* LEONARD MARBURY.

Nov. 19, 1784.

TICKETS in the GEORGE-TOWN ACADEMY LOTTERY may be had at the Printing-Office.

Alexandria, September 23, 1784.

TO BE SOLD,

A TRACT of LAND, within 5 miles of Alexandria, containing 432 acres, on which are an excellent framed barn, an overſeer's houſe, &c. a fine ſpring, a large apple and peach orchard, with a great variety of other excellent fruit-trees, and about 100 acres of it may be converted into meadow, it being thought, by good judges, as well calculated for that produce as any land in the county, as the greateſt part may be watered, having two large ſtreams running through the whole; there is alſo on ſaid land a valuable mill-ſeat, where formerly was a mill, which at a little expence may be rebuilt; the reſt of the land is well calculated for farming.—Alſo to be ſold, another Tract, adjoining that already deſcribed, containing about 300 acres, on which is a tolerable good dwelling-houſe, with two rooms on a floor, with a brick chimney, and ſeveral out-houſes; 25 acres of well-improved meadow, and much more may be made, and the whole watered at a trifling expence, there being a ditch already cut for that purpoſe, by which the water may be eaſily conveyed.—Alſo 75 acres more, near the above lands, conſiſting altogether of excellent timber.—The advantages attending lands ſo near the town of Alexandria, are ſo great that it is needleſs to ſay more.—A good title will be made, and poſſeſſion given at Chriſtmas.—For terms apply to the Subſcriber, living near Alexandria.—If the above lands are not ſold by the Firſt day of January next, they will be laid out into ſeveral lots, and rented for the term of ſeven years. BALDWIN DADE.

Nov. 16, 1784.

For Sale,

A Valuable TRACT of LAND, lying in Frederick County, Virginia, containing 1100 acres, within eight miles of Wincheſter, on the main road from thence to Philadelphia, and within two miles of three merchant mills; there are on ſaid land, a good two-ſtory dwelling-houſe and other convenient buildings, with a good orchard and meadow, and tolerably well timbered.——One third of the purchaſe money to be paid down, one fourth of the balance at the expiration of two years, another fourth at four years, another fourth at ſix years, and the remainder at eight years, from the day of ſale. Intereſt will be expected from the date of the bonds.—The price may be known by applying to Mr. Charles M'Donald on the premiſes, or to Mr. Nathaniel Burwell of Carter's Grove, on James-River, or to the Subſcriber in York County, near Williamſburg.

NATHANIEL BURWELL, jun.

Nov. 19, 1784.

George-Town, Nov. 15, 1784.

☞ THE drawing of the GEORGE-TOWN ACADEMY LOTTERY will commence, in this Town, the 15th Day of December next.—All thoſe who may have any of the Tickets on hand unſold, are deſired to return them before that Day to

ROBERT PETER,
BENJAMIN STODDART,
WILLIAM DEAKINS, jun. } *Managers.*

ALL Perſons indebted to

the Copartnerſhip of HARPER and FENNER, which diſſolved the 22d Inſtant, are moſt earneſtly requeſted to make immediate Payment.—Regular Attendance is given at the Store, by

EDWARD HARPER.

Alexandria, Nov. 24, 1784.

MUSIC.

MR. VICTOR, *Muſic-Maſter, propoſes to inſtitute a Concert of Muſic, once a week for ſix months to come. Every ſubſcriber to pay* 16 *dollars for the ſeaſon, and every non-ſubſcriber, if a Gentleman,* 6 *s. a night, and* 3 *s. for a Lady he may bring with him. If* 80 *ſubſcribers offer, theſe entertainments will commence as ſoon as the ſubſcription paper is filled up, which may be ſeen at his lodgings in Queen's-ſtreet, and at the Printing-Office, when the tickets by that time will be ready, wherein the place and the evenings will be mentioned. He hopes Ladies and Gentlemen, who honoured him at his firſt unexpected and unprepared attempt, will excuſe every deficiency, and encourage future and better exertions.*

☞ *He continues his inſtructions on the harpſichord, violin, German flute, and guitar.*

Alexandria, Nov. 18, 1784.

☞ Choice Lampblack to be Sold at the Printing-Office.

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